CITY ASSESSOR

Plans To Attack Former Attorney General's Opinion Exempting Officers From Taxation

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE DEVELOPS A BIG MESS

Owners of Many Machines Resort To Juggling Tags To Dodge Revenue

(From Thursday Advertiser.)

Several hundred army officers stationed here, who have enjoyed the luxury of automobiles without paying the ter- Girls Are Considered ritorial taxes on such machines, mawake up one morning after the first of the year to find their autos seized for

An opinion of a former attorney-general, which for years has shielded the nachines of army officers from tantion, is to be put to the test, according to a declaration made by James T. Wilser, district tax assessor. Its legality is to be passed upon by the court. Juster this opinion, the tax assessor was informed that all machines on the military reservation, the first of the year were not liable for taxation, presumably upon the theory that as the invisition of the territory does not maliy upon the theory that as the prisiliction of the territory does not extend to such reservations, it has no

We can fight the matter out in court."

Eheriff Withholds Assistance

In the last few days the tax office has taken over the work the sheriff neglected to, do, and, as a result has several rachines being held for taxes. Mr. Wilder said yesterday that while the sheriff had not refused to assist him, he had neglected to, though importunced several times and that the tax of

"I don't know whether the opinion

Mr. Field's report, which went into the matter of automobile taxation, carlier and more fundamental obligation at that about forty per cent of the taxes were unpaid. At the meeting yesterday Mr. Wilder explained the large delinquent per entage, saying that he latieved only 900 of the registered 1800 machines are in cereation here.

Many Strange Things Many Strange Things

All sorts of strange things have been some orderly method of return Some of the automobiles have changed to nower manifested in different ranks hands so many times that difficulty is encountered in determining the liability. One car has been located for which two years' tax payments are class, held to one conditions to airs.

the Premier.

tax annually. By checking up with work, the individual, educated, bealed, curtail valoop privileges. These were the municipal officials, the tax assessor of orred, most again become a part of as follows—to limit the area within will be able to determine whether all licensed ears have had their taxes paid. ciations, its normal netivities.

Assersor Wilder proposes to ask for an amendment to the statutes so that to handle the licenses, thus simplify to handle the community are the two tien and the community are the two tien and the licenses and the licen

Welsh's Car Ecized

Having been delinquent in the pay- 'graduate,' unnecessarily hard. The ment of some of his taxes since 1907, institutions, with all their faults, are william L. Welsh was placed in an enverthelers going concerns; the general position when the tax assessor saized his seven-passenger rent car and placed it in hock. The payrent of \$560 will secure the return of the car, according to Deputy Assessor A. W. Ngeley, According to Deputy Assessor A. W. Ngeley, According to the stories current yesterday, Welsh and foolishly made public statements had foolishly made public statements that he never intehded to pay his taxes.

The concerns; the gen day evening until six o'clock Monday morning.

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WELFARE WORKERS DISCUSS PROPOSED LEGISLATIVE ACTS

Eugenics, Salpon Regulation and Participants In Important Con-Kindred Social Measures Are Being Threshed Out

(From Thursday Advertiser.) fare of this city.

luie. It has no enrolled membership, in exact wording, of this character, no charter or by laws and those who attend its meetings pay no dues. The legislative conference is not, as has been stated, connected in any, way the and many others are quickly with the associated charities or with brought to mind. Each is already a any other society but is intended to well defined ascial muit, able to organization as a clearing house for the year.

Mrs. Weaver said:

'Do you remember that in her speech of two weeks ago today, Miss Sterritt referred to her public appeal through the press that some home be opened to shelter an Hawaiian girl who must leave the Girla' industrial School, to graduate into the communication of the were to live as a good woman?

Age the City Mothers Ronolulu Did Not Answer

extend to such reservations, it has no right to fax property upon it.

Assessor Declares Himself

Mr. Wibler declares his intention to saize these machines during a speech before the chamber of commerce yes torday afternoon, when he took up the report of H. Gooding Field on delinquent automobile taxes, to show reasons why a percentage of machines escaped taxed and percentage of machines escaped taxed to show reasons why a percentage of machines of the problem. One of the machines to consider. They make to show the report of the machines are shown to show the should be considered inguess to consider. They make to make the respectation of the should be considered in the should be comitted. The should be considered in the should be considered in t "The morning of its publication, the industrial school cutertained many

reality of its faith, Honolulu absolutean auto. And then he came, at length, to the aim hines owned by army officers.

"Several years ago," he said, "the storney general gave an opinion that all machines on the army reservation most," which advice in this case the rather than of a year could not be devil forthwith followed. We all.

toss our own weaklings to Iwilei? Some of us since may have recalled

least to the extent of the oversight of is correct in its law or not," said Mr. a responsible person. Second, a negative condition, the assumption of the versignt or in the versignt or i give it a test." new chligation must not put undue Mr. Field's report, which went into strain upon one's power to discharge

says that no institution, no state can long endure that does not prepare discovered in the past few days by offi-rials of the city assessor's office in go-nonarchy, from peasant to king, and ing over the records to determine how king to peasant there must run an un-

due, and the present owner will have his own inherent limitations. In eithto pay them, according to the deputy or case success flows from the recognisses or.

Beckening First of Year

The provisions of the new municipal is stomobile ordinance, which requires the re-registration of all machines on January 1, will greatly sin,plify the work of the tax assessor, especially as the last hegislature enacted a law remaining the payment of the automobile canicing the payment of the automobile tax annually. By checking up with work, the institution does its the legislature of 1915 will materially work, the institution does its the legislature of 1915 will materially work. it impossible to deal with individuals, prisonment, and by the forfeiture of his

"It is right here our social muchincry breaks down, at a glance whether the tax had been tation, and such stoppage always paid. pride the return of the institutional William I. Welsh was placed in an covertheless going concerns; the general arrassing position when the tax as oral goodwill of the prodic is genuine.

that he never intended to pay his taxes. "Any already existing group, inter- gin and Miss Chandler.

ference Attempt To Solve All-Important Issues

The legislative conference met yes any form of child welfare, is a poss: terday afternoon at the Library of Ha- ble unit. Let this organization have wall for the discussion of a number a child welfare committee. The Guild of problems affecting the social wel at St. Andrew's, the societies at Cen tral Union Church and doubtless many This organization is intended to in- another is already so organized; there MR. THURSTON CHALLENGES lude all the social workers of Hono- are many committees in deed, if not

any other society but is intended to well defined metal unit, able to arganize as a clearing house for the varying opinions of all who are interested in the betterment of the local social conditions. There are only two officers in this organization, the chairman, ludge Sanford E. Dele and W. S. forms the connective element. On the Rowen, secretary.

[Ref. Ass. Considered] Girls Are Considered

The first topic for discussion was a paper by Mrs. P. L. Weaver. This report had been rend Tuesday at the Women's meeting at Central Union church and was presented before to legislative conference by request:

Mrs. Weaver said:

'Do you remember that in her speech of two weeks ago today, Miss Sterritt of two weeks ago today, Miss Sterritt referred to her public appeal through the press that some home be opened willingness to watch over the prea willingness to watch over the promust were of re-entering the institutional of, to graduate into the common life...

> "The market inspector will have a city fathers but to city

ing powers whatever. Any organiza-tion caring to come in, or to withdraw, should be free to do so, the only binding force being the desire to work. .. Mobility Required

on the first day of a year could not be fixed. At the time that opinion was bunded down, there were only a few cars there, so it did not mean much in revenue, but since that time their number haz grown until now there are a few hunded. "In the light of this incident our agencies of Christian "I may as well my now that I propose to put talk rational machines on the reservation and hold them for taxes. What about the habit of mind, for instance that can consider with tender solicitude the condition of child wid ows in India, and with complacency times and the sound judging the conserved. Except such as the time, the initiative and the sound judging to the advisory committee set. ment of the advisory committee set.

Oriental women do not organize and after the chamber had passed a creely as do Hawsians and Caucasians, resolution urging the incoming board yet we would be crippled in this com-

has taken over the work the sheriff neglected to do, and as a result has several rachines being held for taxes. Mr. Witter sail yearded at that while the sheriff had not gaid the steering had not paid their taxes, and that the tax of fee was now rounding up the machines which had neglected to, though importunced several times, and that the tax of fee was now rounding up the machines which had not paid their taxes, thus doing what should be done by the sheriff.

Auto taxes are looked upon as a charge against a machine for its wear upon the road, and the chamber memiors seemed to feel that the officers should contribute to this road revenue as civilians, the machine to one this seeking to carry and contribute to this road revenue as civilians, the machine to one thus seeking to carry and amount of dumage to the high.

"I don't know whether the onition." It was now reached to the extent of the correctable and the content of the public finance, tracking and that the lands of the public finance, tracking was do Hawsiians and Caucasians, over well as the committee was resolution urging the language feed to the board of directors of the promotion committee, that Mr. Others have seen but the working of the bringing without the help of the bringing to the promotion committee, that Mr. Others have seen but the working of the bringing without the help of the bringing without

rest is but a matter of detail.

Thompson On Eugenics

After the reading of Mrs. Weaver's paper the conference listened to remarks by Prof. U. Thompson of Kame hameha schools on the subject of personal sanitation. He asked that the conference recommend the enactment of the following hill:

'House Bill No. 181.—An act to present the conference may make the same bloods of the conference recommend the enactment of the day, and we must have it.

'It siekens me to read that these supervisors elect may make the same

"House Bill No. 181.—An act to prevent the transmission of venereal diseases through the marriage of perpens afflicted with such diseases, adding a new section to the revised laws. Be it enacted by the legislature of the Territory of Hawaii. Section 1. A new section is hereby added to the revised laws of Hawaii to read as follows:

"Section 2211A. No agent or officer anthorized to grant marriage licenses running the government for the been filed with such agent or officer a worn written certificate of a licensed build up a political machine, yo physician showing that such person is free from all venereal diseases. Any person who violates this section shall, upon conviction, be panished by a fine of not more than one hundred dollars work for efficiency and not politics." A Premier car bearing the metal tag number 881 was seized yesterday for payment of taxes. The tag originally was issued for a Kissel Kar and was rwitched to avoid payment of the tax is seen and tax pe authority to grant marriage licenses." of This proposal elieted very hot distinct eussion by all who were present at the

which caloon licenses may be granted in this city to the district bounded by favor this plan.

The meeting ended here—onite is meeting ended here—onite is

public resorts not house, ing privileges;
—forbidding "treating" in a saloon; and,—providing that all saloons shall remain closed from six o'clock Saturday evening until six o'clock Monday that a great percentage of auto taxes were uncollected.

"Mr. Field and I worked on these were uncollected."

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HOLDS EARNEST

ested among its other netivities, in Business Men and Officials-Elect Discuss Municipal Assessments and Taxation

POLITICS IN GOVERNMENT

Warns Incoming City Administration That People Expect Efficiency In Public Service

(From Thursday Advertis t.) chuic over municipal and terri oriol affairs, mainly where they relate to the assessment and collection of taxes, but incidentally on politicalis as contra-distinguished from efficiency was held yesterday afternoon by niemhers of the chumber of commerce their annual meeting.

For two nours these business men sembers of the chamber, with officials clinic, which i. A. Thurston characterlzed as "an enruest of better days to come." The discussion at the meeting extended far beyond the boundary line implied by the topic set for it, which was based on H. Gooding Pield's two reports on taxes—the first being on real property assessment and the second an auto license taxes.

Notwithstanding the sharp conflict of Notwithstanding the sharp conflict of opinions on different subjects—a notable one being on the question of political patronage, which was vigorously opposed by Mr. Thurston, and impliedly defended by Mayor-elect John C. Lane—the meeting did not have a discord-

Report Defended By Paris

E. H. Paris, chairman of the joint committee of the chamber of commerce and Ad Club, which conducted an in estigation, or "survey," into the tax ystem, presented the chamber with a tatement in which he reiterated that

he believed his report was not nufair.

"Personally, I am satisfied that the report has not done any injustice and that the derelictions in office shown and conflicts in authority should be brought out." he said

out, 'he said.

In another paragraph he salished their part.''
Charles Wilder, district tax assessor, that his statement made at the directors' meeting and published in The Advertiser, that he believed all poll taxes collected were not reported, was not meant as a reflection on him, but committee in Earness on the avestem.

The following is M.

"It is an earnest of better days to come when officials and business men can get together for two hours like this.

supervisors elect may make the same blunders as others have made before them, by giving over jobs to men be-cause they belong to the same political party. I tell you, if you are going to be petuate yourselves in office, there is nothing better you can do than to appoint men who are best fitted for the jobs without regard for whether they are Republicans or Democrats, You want to show the voters that you are

"If you are to go on and try to build up a political machine, you will meet with the same treatment two years from now that your predecessors have just experienced. We want effi-ment men in office. We want you to

meeting without making a comment, re-plied to Mr. Thurston.
"I believe we have enough efficient men among the Republicans to carry on the government of Hopolulu," His reply was very brief, and while in it he did not, in so many words, say he favored the plan advocated by some of the supervisors—that is, to throw all Democrats out of office—the impression made hy his words was that he did

ntreets;
—to forbid the use of frosted or any other oppaque glass in siloon windows Mr. Paris Submits Statement

and doors:

— forbidding the consumption of liquor in hotels, restaurants and other public resorts not holding liquor sell. Wilder spoke, dealing with the consumption of wilder spoke, dealing with the consumption of liquor spoke, dealing with the consumption of liquor spoke.

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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND AD CLUB **FAVOR CONTINUING PROMOTION BONUS**

WHEREAS, It has been suggested that, in the interest of economy, the county of Oahu should drop the appropriation for the promotion committee:

Resolved, That the chamber of commerce hereby expresses its belief that the work of the promotion committee is of great benefit to the people of Hawaii and worthy of the support of the Territory, counties and individuals;

Resolved, That instead of reducing the financial assistance given the promotion committee, the county of Oahu should increase the amount now being paid to that committee; more particularly for local outdoor work,

Resolved, That a copy of these resolution be sent to the present board of supervisors and to each member of the incoming

Resolved, That the outdoor committee of this club be and hereby is directed to present this subject to the incoming board and seek to obtain their adoption of the policy herein mentioned.

The foregoing resolution was adopted yesterday at meetings of the chamber of commerce and Ad Club, being presented, at both meetings, by Harry L. Strange.

S NCE the publication in The Advertiser of the statement of one of the supervisors-elect that the \$250-a-month appropriation to the promotion committee would be withdrawn when the new county officials take office, the sentiment of the incoming officials seems to have crystalized in favor of continuing the appropriation.

At the meeting of the chamber of commerce yesterday, when the Strange resolution was read and unanimously adopted, the several supervisors questioned by a representative of The Advertiser elect and several incumbents, held this showed a strong disposition to continue the appropriation, one of them saying that he would be in favor of giving the committee \$500 a month "if it would do something with the money."

"It is no easy matter to get in all these taxes. The police have utterly failed to assist us. We gave them some tags to put on machines. A few of them were used, but only a few, far too large, I have no complaint make. The only objection I had at all was to a remark Mr. Paris was re ported as making before the director-that all the poll taxes collected were not reported. He has explained that there was no reflection meant, which

"The point ande by Mr. Wilder that the police had not helped, him was taken up by Abe Lewis, Jr., who inquired into the possibility of obliging the officials in such cases to do

Among the officials and near-officials present at the meeting were John C. Lane, Daniel Logan, James Quine, Charles J. McCarthy, Charles Wildor,

The following is Mr. Paria' state-

"The report of the public finance

acrimonious remarks, denials or refu-tations by those responsible to deter-me ar our committee in an effort to better conditions.

"Heretofore, in many cases, denials

and the ensuing controversy have and Supervisor-elect Robert Herner, all brought us back to the position and the bonds and oaths have been fied. obtained in the past. Criticism is of fered without suggested remedy. tain laymen, lawyers and experts offer acrimonious remarks, and the result has been that reform or even reasonable betterment has not been obtained without great cost to the commonwealth Mr. Field's work has been done in a painstaking manner, and he has been particularly careful to carry out pact which we have had with the Governor, that credit should be given where due and that no unsubstantiated reports be made. I have been personally responsible to Governor Pinkham for a considerate and careful research, which has been conducted, and Mr. Field's findings, as well as our deductions and recommendations, have been

Officials Appreciate Efforts

dence in his ability to handle the situa-tion and to get some direct action.

Personally, I believe it is the only way that the marter will be brought to an issue.

Consector Will Captings

to cooperate with Governor Pinkham, share with me in my happiness. in necordance with the suggestions offered at the last meeting of the direct-

closely I am convinced that estimates made were too large, and that if the truth were known it would be shown that there are not more than 1900 ms. chimes running of the 1800 registered. Police Give No Assistance "It is no easy matter to get in all these taxes. The police have utteried." The police have utteried to the police have ut

Taxpayers Must Expend About \$2000 In Premiums On Sureties of Servants

It was remarked yesterday in the office of the city clerk, that the newlyelected municipal officials were costing the tax-payers a lot of money even be-fore their names are placed on the pay-rolls. This refers to the cost of the election, and the expense of bonding the officials, which is borne by the munici-

All of the elective officers are honded under the provisions of the city char-ter, the premiums amounting to about ficials also will be bonded, which will bring the total up to nearly \$2000, according to City Clerk Kalauokalani.

Most of the bonds are executed by the Henry Waterhouse Trust Company, and are for two years, the period for which the officially are to hold office. The highest bonds are required in the case of the treasurer and the anditor, being \$25,000 in each instance. The premium on each of these bonds amounts to near the \$200.

the city clerk, and the oath of office must be duly executed and filed before the fourth day of January, when the new officials are inducted into office. With the exception of Sheriff Rose

Laborers Complete Task of Fixing Up Honolulu's Open-Air Ball Room

Bishop street, for the past six years the open-air hall room where Mayor Fern has entertained his constituents tion with those of unquestioned experiin Honolulu, is once more in rendiness ence. for the New Year's Eve festivities. A force of twenty-five laborers, under the direction of City Engineer Wab. yesterday completed the task of smoothing the rough places in the Bishop Square. The street is now as Doctor Pratt, president of the board of health, has expressed to me his appreciation of the pain-taking and cared dition as the sidewalk for dancing on

of health, has expressed to me his appreciation of the pain-staking and expressed his seem conducted. Mr. Wilder has personally stated to me that he has no fault to find with the report and only took expressed hisself as well pleased with the property and only took expressed hisself as well pleased with the property and only took expressed hisself as well pleased with the progress made. The mayor also held a conference with Secretary Will Miles, at which it was decided to export as well as Mr. Field's fladings, at which it was decided to export, as well as Mr. Field's fladings, and integrity. No such reflection has every been made by me, and the written report, as well as Mr. Field's fladings, and which he considered in the property of the city administration who will assume office one week from next Monday. Mayor Fern expressed the held of the city administration who will assume office one week from next Monday. Mayor Fern expressed the held of the city administration who will assume office one week from next Monday. Mayor Fern expressed the held for the city administration who will assume office one week from next Monday. Mayor Fern expressed the held for the city administration who will assume office one week from next Monday. Mayor Fern expressed the held for the city administration who will assume office one week from next Monday. Mayor Fern expressed the held of the city administration who will assume office one week from next Monday. Mayor Fern expressed the held of the city administration who will assume office one week from next Monday. Mayor Fern expressed the held of the city administration who will assume office one week from next Monday. Mayor Fern expressed the held of the city administration who will assume office one week from next Monday. Mayor Fern expressed the held of the city administration who will assume office one week from next Miles, at which it will be a great and the other men.

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"I might say that it will be the grand march, there will be fine muste purpose of the committee to continue and I home avere one will be there to

With the National Surety Company W. Mae arlane C. H. Dickey. U. S. ly drop out of service. These figures ore of the chamber of commerce, and as surety, the \$1500 band of Joel C. Here is a plan suggested as a bar. Bowen, Mr. and Mrs. Ulrich Thompson, delinquent apon which Mr. Field bases in this connection we will offer the Cohen, administrator of the extate of discussion.

Mrs. C. T. Fitts. Mrs. Wilcox, Miss Berling are approximate, and five our as istance wherever post Joseph Carlo, deceased, was filed in the When I come to look into them more sible.

Thinks It Had All Elements of Failure From the

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE LETTER IS ANSWERED

Chief Executive Says Territory Will Work With Those of **Unquestioned Ability**

(From Thursday Advertiser.) Commenting on the report of nunicipal affairs committee of the chamber of commerce, and declaring that all the elements of failure of the Koolaupoke road were present from the heginning, Governor Pinkham acknowledged the receipt of a popy of the committee a report in a letter which was read yeaterday afternoon at a member-ship committee meeting of the chamber.

Blements of Failure Present

The letter is as follows:

Executive Chamber,

Honolalu, Hawali,

December 15, 1914.

Mr. Raymond C. Brown,

Secretary Chamber of Commores

of Honolalu, Honolalu, T. H.

Gentlemen:—I have before me roar communication of November 11, 1914, relative to the failure of the section of newly constructed belt road through the Koolaupoko district, Island of Oahn.

It is not necessary to review the report submitted, save to my that all the elements of failure were present from the beginning.

The loss has been incurred and only that all the elements, of failure of the

the beginning.

The loss has been incurred, and only a doubtful civil said presents any chance for recovery.

The recommendations of the committee, "A" and "B," have my attention.

endations Not Approved "A" gives no promise of longevity under conditions of weather and traffic obtaining; hence no comment is neces-

for the reason that the government will in the long run pay for all the experiments and errors in construction. To collect penalties and damages after acceptance would involve "tigation."

I believe that the government should permit demonstrations on such as able

permit demonstrations on sucthst it could determine the generally to be met in the Tarrite Then, sail for bids, guarantees and lattice on the class of construction in for the particular road condition to met in the district advertised.

Settled by a Conference

A balf hour's frank equalitation
the officials of the Honoluin Gas adds more than \$220 to the expense account for premiums. Then come seven ampervisors, the city clerk, city attorney, and six deputy sheriffs, each being placed under \$5000 bonds, adding about \$850 to the cost of premiums.

The bonds must be in the cost of premiums.

Had the sewers and water mains not been installed, I think a short confer-ence with the superintendent of public works would have placed these utilities also within the sidewalk areas, with

niso within the sidewalk areas, with corresponding saving of the streets.

The government empects to build the Kuhio wharf road twenty-six feet wide and of six-inch reinforced equerete, all utilities and street railway trucks installed to the side of the roadway, and thus secure an absolutely permanent road, practically indestructible. It is toped this may furnish an example that may be duplicated, enlarged or modified upon, as other situations require.

The opportunities of the territorial government are very limited, but it will not fail to try to intelligently perform its duties by itself or in conjunction

Very respectfully, (Sgd.) L. E. PINKHAM, Governor of Hawaii.

smoothing the rough places in the CONVICTS GIVEN FREEDON

Three paroles were granted by Gov-

well as a number of commutations and pardous recommended by the several prison boards in the Torritory, for the

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